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SUBJ: ALEXANDRIA HARBOR OPERATING ON A 24-HOUR BASIS

1. MR. GALAL FAHMI, CHAIRMAN OF THE ALEXANDRIA PORT AUTHORITY, ANNOUNCED TO THE PRESS THAT AS OF AUTUST 1, 1978, ALEXANDRIA HARBOR BEGAN OPERATION ON A 24-HOUR-A-DAY BASIS IN THREE 8-HOUR SHIFTS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MOVE, HE SAID, WAS TO REDUCE THE ACCUMULATION OF GOODS IN THE PORT AND SHORTEN THE WAITING TIME OF SHIPS CALLING AT ALEXANDRIA.

2. COMMENT: 24-HOUR OPERATION IS STILL IN EARLY PHASE OF IMPLEMENTATION, E.G. CUSTOMS OPERATING FULL STRENGTH ONLY 0800 - 1400, REDUCED STRENGTH 1400 TO MIDNIGHT. IT IS DOUBTFUL IF SHIPS WILL BE MOVED IN AND OUT OF HARBOR EXCEPT DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS.

3. ALTHOUGH THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXTENDED OPERATING HOURS DID NOT MENTION RAMADAN, THIS FASTING SEASON IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AUGUST 5 AND CONTINUE THROUGH THE REST OF THE MONTH. DURING THIS PERIOD, THE EFFICIENCY OF THE PORT WILL BE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED, BUT THE ADDITIONAL WORKING HOURS
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